

clock or watch, while apparent solar time is

the equation of time, and may amount to 16

The astronomical day begins at noon and the

civil day at the preceding midnight. The

sidereal and mean solar days are both invari-

able, but one day of the latter is equal to 1

The interval during which the earth makes

The tropical year is the interval between

two consecutive returns of the sun to the vernal

equinox. If this were a fixed point, the sidereal

and tropical years would be identical; but in

consequence of the disturbing influence of the

moon and planets on the sphereoidal figure of

the earth, the equinox has a slow, retrograde

mean motion of 50' 26" annually, so that the

sun returns to the equinox sooner every year

than it otherwise would by 20 minutes, 23.6

seconds; the tropical year, therefore, consists of

The tropical year is not of uniform length;

it is now slowly decreasing at the rate of .595

seconds each century; but this variation will

CALLING FOR RECITATIONS.

to get pieces suitable for Washington's Birth-

day for primary pupils. I have purchased sev-

eral books, but the pieces are too difficult. I

would like to hear from some primary teachers

as to what books they use and where purchased.

I'm going to use the Flag Salute, and would

Loyally- Mina Whedon, Cortland, Ind.

HANGING UP THE CALENDAR.

THE NATIONAL TRIBUNE calendar, and thank

I have bung it up in my own little den, and

I wonder how many realize the broadness of

the education contained in the C.C.? We are

not only incited to charity and patriotism and

to gaining more culture of the intellect, but

the spiritual interests of its members are not

And I think we should all unite in most

heartily thanking the Chaplain of the L.H.W.

for turning our minds and thoughts to higher

and holier things at the especial holiday of our

land, Thanksgiving, and in warning us against

the "little foxes" that may eventually disturb

OUR MOTTO MAY HELP.

come and gone, bringing with it New-Year

resolutions, some no doubt broken ere this,

To all who may have broken resolves I would

Someone has said that success is not measured

by the number of times a man falls, but by the

Still, falling should be avoided if possible

is humiliating, discouraging, disagreeable,

We often make the mistake of letting the

A desire to do better and be better seems

on that line. If we cannot be what we desire

to become all at once, we can at least progress

toward it; and the effort will be beneficial,

Then let us do as Seth Follet's eel did when

KEEP YOUR OBJECTS IN VIEW.

of recent days monopolized any of the valuable

space given us by our kind Editor and our

lished that originated at our annual Reunions

that do, in my opinion, furnish some evidence

Remember, friends, there are thousands of

people who read our columns not members of

We cannot afford to lose influence, or to have

our Reunions lightly spoken of and our whole

So in the future I would suggest that we re-

frain from bringing before our readers any-

to doubt that our objects are anything else but

ringress and ratriotism, pure and simple

FACES IN THE GLASS.

econd Lieutenant, 4th Mass. H. A.

strong enough to take a school.

it must be true, it seemed so real.

published when I get 100 subscribers.

I have not got the money to have it pub-

lished, but if those of the members who would

like one will send me a postal, I can have it

I will put a note in THE TRIBUNE, telling

subscription to me, and I will forward the

I have made arrangements to sell the book

for 50 cents, with my picture in the front, but

I shall have to charge a few cents for postage.

is ready-just enough to cover the expense.

shall hear from me again. Yours, loyally-

will let you know how much when the book

I have never been able to attend to any cor-

respondence, as my writing and studies have

sick wrote you a book.

F. L. Conn, Morris Crossroads, Pa.

work comdemned by disinterested readers,

the organization, and are doubtless taking note

for the critic to style us a "courting club."

more gifted writers than myself.

L. H. W. and C.C., stand pledged.

of what is being said and done,

though I knew you all.

Loyally-

DEAR L.H.W. AND C.G.: Though I have not

W. H. Blood, Carlton, Ore.

even though we should not attain our ideal.

our peace and happiness in the future.

great men of the religious world.

send postage for return.

number of times he rises.

need never break them.

around-go ahead.

say, Begin again.

DEAR EDITOR: I was greatly pleased with

like to have several dialogs and recitations.

LOYAL HOME WORKERS: I find it difficult

365 days, 5 hours, 48 minutes, and 46 seconds.

minutes and 21 seconds.

former.

TAKE NOTICE. The time approaches for renewal of your memthat shown by a well-constructed sun-dial. The difference between the two at any time is bership fee, which is so nominal that every old member whose dues expire Dec. 31, 1895, should renew at once, and send the application of another for membership along with your renewal.

The Secretary will inclose with each membership card a neat book-mark, which he has negotiated for. Members this year will also be supplied with interesting matter along the line of Progress and Patriotism, and in our readings will be supplied everything at a good discount.

Amos L. Seaman, Secretary, 5161 Minerys svenue, St. Louis, Mo.

OBJECTS. Progress-Pertaining to all that tends to develop

American intelligence on topics of the day, and a sidereal year, and consists of 365 days, 6 the adoption of ways and means to secure this hours, 9 minutes and 9.6 seconds, which is in-Patriotism-Historical study of our country, and discussion thereon, which keeps alive the spirit of American independence and loyalty. Charity-Providing for the relief of the suffer-

An organization for Reunion purposes and to more practically enforce the principles of the Loyal Home Workers has been formed, of which Kate B. Sherwood is President, and to which all true and loyal members of the C. C. are eligible.

EDITOR'S CHAT.

A Wife's Advice Fully Justified in the End. FIGS OR QUINCES.

We have all been vexed or amused, as our sympathies may run, to note the impatience of a man under advice from his wife when that | not always continue. - James McKenna, Pittsadvice did not accord with his own view of the | field, Mass. case. Sometimes it has been an impatient shrug of the shoulders; sometimes a hasty rebuke; and there are instances in mind when both prefanity and insult have been summoned by the manly minded. Oftener, the husband has turned on his beel, put on his bat and walked away, leaving his wife to chafe and grieve over her temerity. And yet, in more than one instance, as we recall these little episodes, we remember the late hour or day when the man came home, subdued and penitent, and said to the woman, "I wish I had taken your advice."

There is an old Oriental legend that clearly illustrates the conflict. A chodja or countryman had to appear before the provincial judge | you ever so much for it. on some business, and as it was the custom never to appear before this august official without taking him a present, the chodja went into tion of loyalty and patriotism throughout the the garden with a basket and filled it with fine quinces to take with him.

The chodja's wife, who had followed after him, remonstrated and advised him to leave the quinces at home and fill his basket with fresh figs. Finally he was persuaded, if not convinced, and substituting figs for quinces he made his way to the home of the Khodi.

A part of the official stock in trade of an Oriental judge seems to be a well-equipped bad temper, and the chodja found the Khodi in a furious mood. Looking at the chodja and then at the luscious figs, he shouted, "Go into a corner and stand still."

Handing the basket to the Khodi without a word and with many a humble salutation the chedja found his way backward to the corner and thereupon the Khodi began to pelt him with the figs. As the magistrate had a good aim and the figs were ripe, the face of the poor chodja was soon a sight for sore eyes. "Oh!" cried he, "now I see that it is verily a good thing for a man to listen, at least once a year, to the advice of his wife."

"Why so?" asked the Khadi, astonished, and he stopped pelting to hear the reply. "Why, if I had followed my own wisdom you would have killed me before this. The

hard quinces I wished to bring you would have certainly broken my head; but, thanks to my good luck, I listened at last to my stubborn wife's seeming foolishness and brought you these ripe figs. Empty the basket as quick as others still intact. you please, oh, just Khadi! The figs will do me ne harm."

OUR BOLL-CALL.

The letters v.s. mean veteran's son, v.d. veteran's daughter and v.w. veteran's widow; members of associations will be marked S.V. and D.V.]

Col. J. C. O. Redington, editor Acme Haverand it retards one's progress. But if we keep sack and composer of patriotic songs, Syracuse, on trying we may succeed, whereas if we give N. Y.; William Mahoney, Pleasant Prairie, up failure is sure. Keep on trying. Wis.; Maud McCoy, Box 64, Jamison, Mo.; Irene Kasser, v.d., Auburn, N. D. Total, 15,once. The ever-present Now, that maker of

HAPPY HOUSEHOLD.

Pretty Tollet Articles and Useful Recipes. GLOVE-CASE.

A piece of surah silk 16 inches long and 10 wide. Embroider Autumn leaves in natural colors, using Mountmellick stitches. Line the case with satin or china silk. Outline the word "Gloves" across the center of lining. Finish with a silk cord around the edge and ribbon bows.

Mountmellick work is a heavy outline, buttonhole stitch or French knot. Stem or outline stitch is also used for veining the leaves. Belle C. Anderson, Guthrie, Okla.

WATCH-CASE. Cut two heart-shaped pieces of cardboard of proper proportions to contain the watch, and cover them on one side with chamois and on able exponent, the dear old NATIONAL TRIBthe other with cream-colored silk, embroidered or painted with a design of blue heart's-ease

Bind the hearts with narrow blue ribbon, and join with a puff of blue silk. Add suspension ribbons and bows, and trace the motto "A lines of patriotic work for which we, the enrolled watchful heart" in fancy letters with gold

Emma Hand, Star Prairie, Wis. APPLE-RICE PUDDING.

Pare and quarter six apples, stew slightly and break into small bits with a spoon. Add one pint of milk, one cup of sugar, one cup of boiled rice, the rind of a lemon and the well-beaten yolks of four eggs. Mix thoroughly and bake in a moderate oven for 20 minutes.

Beat the whites of the eggs very light, adding, at the last, two heaping tablespoonfuls of sugar. Spread over the pudding, brown alightly and serve with or without cream. CLAM FRITTERS.

Dry 25 clams with a clean cloth. Beat two eggs thoroughly, and add one pint of milk, one pint of clam juice, a pinch of salt and one pint of flour. Star in the clams and fry in hot lard. Chop the clams if preferred.

CONVERSATION CLUB.

Question in Morals-Our Days and Years. C.C. Notes and Comments.

Bules of the Club, -1. Write briefly. 2. Write only on one side of the paper. 2. Write to the point, 4. Write on one subject. 5. Write your best. 6. Each week the manes of those writing the best lettersstyle, composition, spelling, permanship and gen-eral merit considered—will be named at the head of this column on the Honor Roll. First honor will include all of these requirements. Second bonor will include a deficiency in some one point.

QUESTION IN MORALS. DEAR C.C. AND L.H.W.: Will you please reply to this question

Is war consistent with Christianity? Please answer by mail or through THE NATIONAL TRIBUNE. Accept my thanks for the beautiful TEIBUNE calendar. I think it a gift that would please

anyone and make one more patriotic. Cora Davidson, Ewing, Tenn.

OUR DAYS AND YEARS. Part I.

Though not original, a few notes on division of time may be interesting to the many readers The interval between two consecutive tran-

of the Loyal Home Workers Department. sits of a fixed star over any meridian, or the book at once. interval during which the earth makes one absolute revolution on its axis, is called a siderest day, and is invariable; while the interval between two consecutive transits of the sun over any meridian is called an apparent solar day, and its length varies from day to day by reason of the variable motion of the earth in its orbit, and the inclination of this taken up my time. orbit to the equator, on which time is

measured. A mean solar day is the average or mean of all the apparent solar days in a year. Mean | Ina Lord McDavitt, Box 887, Vineland, N. J.

College, Defiance, O. Present address, 714 N.

PASSING IN REVIEW.

M. Dell Adams is attending the Defiance

Clinton street. Emma K. Martin, Burlington, Iowa, regrets that she has no time to reply to C.C. friends, as her duties will not permit of correspondence. An exception will be made in the case of those who may be passing that way and may wish to meet her.

Emma K. Martin writes that Miss Nellie P. Sater, of Elliott's Business College, Burlington, Iowa, where she serves as Mr. Elliott's Private Secretary, will be pleased to hear from shorthand writers.

Mrs. William Brown, Cornwallis, W. Va., would like those having books or papers to exchange to write her. Irene Kaiser, enrolled to-day, would like correspondents from California and Ohio. Address, Auburn, N. D.

indebted to some unknown friend of Ottawa, Ill., for a beautiful friendship cane of blown glass, which he values highly. He says friendship ribbons for its decoration are now in order from the young women, the New Woman and the "skewl ma'ams" as well. Secretary Seaman says dues are coming in

Secretary Amos L. Seaman expresses himself

well, but would like to jog the memories of delinquents, including some of the officers. Frances A. Starkey, Prescott, Ariz., box 514, desires the words of "The Camp on the Rappahannock," to be used as a G.A.R. recitation. She joined the C. C. and L.H.W. at her home, day, 3 minutes and 56,555 seconds of the White Hall, Ill., and went to Arizona by advice of a physician, who thought the high altitude | which is sought, prolonged, in some cases saucy. and dry air would make her stronger. There one absolute revolution round the sun is called is a G.A.R. Post at Prescott and a U.S. Army

Post at Fort Whipple. Mrs. Q. A. Oldaker, Vinita, I. T., makes



HARVEY F. TRUMBORE.

only the youngest officeholder ever elected in | conduct. Who is faultless? Let him speak. Northampton County, Pa., but the first Repub- Let him hurl stones. Some men attain such an it shall be a reminder of my duty in the direclican Commissioner's Clerk the County ever had. | admitted superiority in morals that society He was born at South Bethlehem, Pa., May | would welcome from them suggestions and 11, 1869, the son of a contractor; attended the | consures, but such men are too conscious of public schools until the age of 12; worked in the | their own defects to be supercilious. This Bethlehem Iron Works; learned the carpenter | parable is the argumentum ad hominem. It was trade, and for the past three years has been intended to be personal. We cannot doubt assisting his father.

He is a member of the Patriotic Sons of America, Patriotic Order of True Americans, principles. The parable is of use through the Junior Order of American Mechanics, Knights of Pythias, and Brotherhood of Carpenters and | yet get after the mote-eyed. Men are yet in-Joiners. He is an ex-National officer of the | consistent. Still, persons try to reform others Patriotic Order of True Americans, and at without setting the example of their own impresent is State Camp Conductor of the Pat- provement. riotic Sons of America.

fortunate ones to attend the Reunion at Wash-

In a letter to the Editor, Brother Trumbore And, again, I wender how many have noticed the beautiful thoughts and grand truths that "Although I have been a silent member of appeared at the head of "Sunday Meditation" column of late, couched in the words of the always taken a great interest in the work, and when, in 1892, I happened to be one of the I think the editor of those columns deserves

our sincere thanks for his efforts in collecting ington, and to meet there many C.C.'s, from these gems of thought, besides giving us many our President down. a helpful hint upon the Sabbath School lesson. "I was more closely drawn to the organiza-Has any one seen two stray waifs of tracers? tion than ever before; and although I have I have two that have been straying a long been unable to attend any of the Reunions time, and would like to hear from them; will since 1892, yet I have always been glad to read of those who were there and of the business M. Ettie Fuller, Spring Lake, N. Y.

C. C. FEIENDS: The first day of 1896 has our noble Order, I remain- Pro Patria." VERMONT'S SOCIAL. The social of Vermont Circle, L. H. W., held in Rutland was a success in every sense of the word. The attendance was good, and all present knowing its success depended upon their indi-

"With my very best wishes for the Editor and

vidual efforts, were ready and willing to contribute their share toward the general entertainment. The program opened with the singing of America," Cora M. Kellogg pianist, and included reading, by the President, of

March"; "That Awful Girl," by a bachelor member, read by T. A. Savery; song by Cora M. burden of all the coming years rest on us at Kellogg; recitation, "Slavery Days," Clara | fective. Doty Gilman; story, "C. M. K.'s Temper." O. past history, and which may make or mar our O. Kellogg; "I cared for her but she didn't future, is all the time with which we have to deal. If we can keep our resolves now, we care for me," by a bachelor member, read by Lenore Rivers; also, other fine numbers, besides a greeting from the Circle extended by Brother inherent in every human heart, and our C. C. | Savery to Leon Gilman and bride, the latter for three years our Treasurer. motto, "Progress," comes in nicely to help us A business meeting will be held at Rutland next Summer with Reunion program. It is

hoped our rolls will be filled by those who will We all missed W. L. Gilman, of Worcester, Mass. Patrick Ready was up from Gardner, it got in a water-pipe and could not turn and helped to make things interesting. Let us all go to work and improve as much

this month as the last. LENORE RIVERS, President. LOYAL HOME WORKERS. HEADQUARTEES LOYAL HOME WORKERS,

5161 MINERVA AVE., ST. LOUIS, Jan. 18, 1896. UNE, I have been none the less interested and | Report No. 10. The following-named persons apply for

benefited by contributions from the pens of membership in the L.H.W. If protest to their I have always carefully read and noted admission is not received within one week the advancement made along the different from this date, Jan. 30, 1896, they will be A. L. Holmes, Waterford, Cal. But, dear readers, things have been pub-

Elmer Hopkins, Sheldon, Ill. Respectfully submitted,

AMOS L. SEAMAN, Secretary. OUR LITTLE FOIBLES.

DEAR GIRLS: As you are strong, be merciful. Sweet mercy is nobility's true badge." Who. after reading that disconsolate wail from Missouri, can ever take up pen against the author? Surely, it is enough to "melt a heart of stone," if such a thing exists, which I doubt. And yet I do not think "Our only Amos"

deserves any sympathy. He has no one but himself to thank for the avalanche of wrath thing that will give them any reason whatever that has descended upon his head. It is true, as he says, that he has from time to time told some "trite truths pointing out the little foibles of woman." "Little foibles" forsooth! Poor, misguided,

short-sighted man! Therein lies his error, DEAR FRIENDS OF THE C.C.: I have been a Does he not know that one's little foibles are reader of your columns of THE NATIONAL most dear to one's heart? Does he not know TRIBUNE ever since I was a child, and I feel as | that to point out these little foibles to the gaze of the world is to touch a tender spot? And so My father, Charles McDavitt, was a soldier he must not show any surprise at the rough in Co. K. 19th Mass. He lost his right arm at | way in which his contemporaries have shown Fredericksburg, and received a commission as | him the error of his ways.

Somewhere Shakspere says something about We came here to Vineland about 10 years | the "fortunate-unhappy." Now, I would sugago, so you see I am a New England girl. I gest that we call our Amos the "unfortunate fitted myself for a teacher, but have never been | unhappy," because he has the unhappy faculty of saying unfortunate things, and, so, arousing I suppose many of you do not know what it resentment, if the feeling can be given so strong is to be sick, but I have never known what a name. But there is some hope that he'il get it is to be well and strong. I was very sick all over this; he's young yet. the Fall, but am better now, and while I was Speaking of tracers and their kin, Brother

Chaplain, reminds me that I am guilty of bay-I thought of you all the time while I was ing harbored one for-ah, I dare not tell how Mark, 12:38; St. Luke, 12: 15; 20: 45-47; Acts, writing it, and I have called it "Faces in the long. Others came and others went, but this 13:40; Phil., 3:2; Col., 2:8; 2 Tim., 3:1-5; one stays. Its owner won't know it when it | 2 Pet., 3: 17. It is a story for young people, and I feel gets home. sure you will like it, for the publisher thought

facetiousness, recently came out with the as- word often means a teacher. False-a. As to commands when leaving for and returning from sertion that this is the last chance the bachelor maids will have to propound the momentous law against such. Deu., 13:1-3. In olden absent from such commands while at their question for eight long, long years. H'm, times Zedekiah was a false prophet. 1 Ki., homes. maybe!

you when it is ready, and you can send the suggestion that we raise a fund to pay Amos to false prophet. 7:22; 10:16; 24:4, 5, 11, 24; keep quiet. Let none think of such a thing as | St. Mark, 13: 22; Acts, 20: 29, 30; 2 Cor., 11: 13, possible. It would never do. Think of the 14; Phil., 3:18; 2 Th., 2:9, 10; 2 Ti., 2:17, 18; great, big, yawning void there would be in our | 2 Pet., 2:1; 1 John, 4:1; Rev., 2:2; Isa., club if the "irrepressible" were repressed. Word comes that Cupid, ever busy, has aimed | Zep., 3:4; Zec., 13:4. true at the hearts of two of our most loyal Some understand by false prophets, heretics, members. May success and happiness and long false professors, enthusiasts, 1 Cor., 15:12;

life attend them. Jude. 4. Word also comes that there is a "roast" in store for one of our members who is of the mas-If you will help me with my venture, and I culine persuasion. One feels inclined to say: and hypocricies of the Pharisees. feel sure you will, as I am unable to work, you | "Do what you have undertaken, and do it well, good and loyal sister!" Loyally yours-

Study of the International Sunday-School Lesson Appointed for Feb. 9, 1896.

Subject: The Mote and Beam. St. Luke, 6:41, 42. Parable of Figs and Grapes. Verses 43, 44. Parable of Rock and Sand.

Verses 46-49.

!One reading these notes should first carefully study the paragraph from the Holy Scriptures as

St. Matt., 7:3-5; St. Luke, 6:41, 42 Time.

I. MOTE AND BEAM.

We date May (?), A. D. 27-second year of Christ's ministry.

The Mount of the Beatitudes-in the vicinity of Capernaum. 1. Beholdest. We cannot avoid looking so long as we have eyes. The text refers to a look

We may render, starest. 2. Mote. A "mote" is a small, dry particle, as, e. g., chaff, a splinter, a fine spire of grass or grain, the spiculæ or beard on the head of watch chains of hair, round or flat; also, hair- | barley or wheat, a mere speck, a spikelet, a glume, a sliver. Figuratively it means a little

fault or foible. Men are often telescopic as to their own faults and microscopic as to the mistakes of other persons. Christ meant to rebuke the tendency of men to be blind to their own errors and quick to notice the slips of their associates. Olshausen says: "To have a beam in one's eye without observing it is certainly an image of the wildest self delusion." 3. Beam. A "beam" is a large square piece

of timber, a joist. Figuratively it means a heinous offense. 4. Eye. This need not be taken literally. It means, probably, conduct, character, moral

5. Pull out the mote-cast out beam. A mote is a little defect in character-a beam is a great moral deformity. Let me pull out the moteallow me to point out to you your faulty conduct. Cast out the beam-renounce and rid yourself of your moral defilement. Naturally we pull out a sliver and cast out a beam. 6. Hypocrite. The original refers to a stage actor, to one who assumes characters different from his own. So the word got the meaning

of a deceiver. The Teaching of the Mote and Beam Parable. There is something utterly inconsistent in Harvey F. Trumbore, our C.C. friend, is not | men setting themselves up as critics of human that many saw the point, and possibly some were led to reformation in manners, if not in entire history of the Church. The beam-eyed

Suggestions, 1. In order to criticise another, one must be himself free from all fault. Were this rule observed we would hear little complaint. St. the C.C. for the past seven years, yet I have | Matt., 23:24; St. Luke, 4:23; Ro., 2:21. 2. A man, who is himself defective, and yet

assumes to judge harshly and to speak freely of another's foibles or faults, is a hypocrite. His deceptiveness is shown thus. It is supposed one does not criticise in another what is offensive in himself. His assumption to reprove is a struggle to conceal his own improprieties. The very effort he makes is a hypocritical act.

3. When a man's spiritual vision is cleardirect, teach, and reprove others. Adrunkard thief advocating the eighth commandment, a other." miser pleading for philanthropy are gross inconsistencies. Even when one is pure he should be coy of the rebuking spirit. Gal., 6:1. After getting a beam out of one's eye he has skill and vision for removing a splinter from the eye of another person. Both those with beams and motes will welcome one who seeks to remove their defects. Having judged and convicted ourselves we can have countenance, and tolerance, too, in judging and convicting Thoughts"; "Marching Through Georgia others. We must amend ourselves first. It is silly and outrageous for a man to begin the correction of evil in others, leaving himself de-

4. Reformation costs great effort; pull out the mote, cast out the beam.

Origin of the Beam and Mote Parable. It is said this was a Jewish proverb. It is represented that this saying came down from the times when the Jews were governed by the Judges. We learn the following from the Talmud: "Some suitor was requesting the Judge to remove the 'small sticks' or motes from his eyes, so as to see the case more clearly; whereat the Judge retorted, telling him to cast out the beam, or stick of timber, from his own eye. The same proverb was used by Rabbi Tarphon to show another thing. Said he: 'I wonder whether anyone lives in our age who will receive a slight correction; who, if you request him to clear the mote out of his eye, will not retort by asking you to pull out the beam from your own."

Illustrations.

A lady, on one occasion, upon examining a room which had not long before been put in order, complained to the servant that it was dusty. The latter said, respectfully, "The dust is on your glasses," and, sure enough, when they had been removed and carefully wiped, the room put on quite another aspect. How very wide is the application that can be made of such an anecdote, and yet it is really only an extract from the Sermon on the Mount. We see in it our Lord's words respecting the mote and the beam. Objects change according to the media through which they are examined, just as the chameleon-and there are many men like them-takes its hue from the tree it happens to be on. The monster that we see in the moon is often but the fly upon the glass of the telescope. There is much wisdom in the exhortation to be slow to speak and slow to

A striking illustration of the Savior's parable of the beam and the mote is found in the ife of Joseph Bonaparte. While residing in Bordentown, N. J., he had a poor fellow arrested, convicted, and imprisoned for stealing from him six silver spoons, and yet he himself had been a thief on a grand scale, having, during his Spanish campaign, abstracted the treasures of that country and rifled its churches.

PARABLE OF FIGS AND GRAPES. Data. St. Matt., 7:15-18; 20, 21; 12:33; St. Luke,

6: 43, 44. Time. A. D. 27, May (?). Place. Mount of Beatitudes.

1. Beware. Lookout for, be cautious of, avoid, be on guard against. 10:17; 16:6, 11; St. 2. False prophets. Literally a prophet is a

Definitions.

doctrines; b. As to conduct. Moses enacted a 22:11. Another Zedekiah is mentioned as "Scrapes," my friend, think better of your a false prophet. Jer., 29:21. Balaam was a 30:8-10; Jer., 14:14; 23:26; Mic., 3:5-12;

> It is supposed by the mass of critics that Christ referred here directly to the deceptions 3. Sheep's clothing. A sheep is the emblem of sincerity, innocence, harmlessness. The expression here does not teach that the false

prophets would come in woolen garments. It is a figure of speech, and means they come feigning purity and innocence—seemingly as mild and harmless as a sheep. St. Mt., 23:27; 2 Cor., 11: 13-15; 2 Tim., 3: 5.

4. Inwardly. In fact, truly, at heart. 5. Woives. A metaphor. They were not wolves. Christ's followers are called a flock of sheep. Christ is their Shepherd. The false prophets were injurious to the flock. They sought to rob it of spiritual life. Wolves are great enemies of sheep. A wolf is the emblem of cruelty and destructiveness. St. Matt., 10:16; St. John, 10:12; Acts, 20:29; 2 Tim., 2:17, 6. Know them. Be able to distinguish them

from genuine Christians. 7. Fruits. Actions, conduct, manners, the bad results of their doctrines, fanaticism, heresy, sectarianism, proselytism. This principle is true as to some teachers, and also as to

their institutions for enforcing errors. 8. Thorns, St. Matt., 7:16. See bramblebushes in St. Luke, 6:44. Thorns, thistles, and the products of bramble-bushes are very similar in effect. By the bramble-bush today we understand raspberry and blackberry bushes. Thistles, thorns, and bramble-bushes may mean false teachers of religion, or teachers of evil doctrines.

9. Grapes and figs. By these we understand persons correct in doctrine and conduct. We are informed that thorn berries greatly resemble grapes in appearance, and that thistle

heads remind one of figs. 10. Corrupt. Literally this means decayed, rotten. It denotes, Dr. Barnes says, what is originally—that is to say, by nature—useless; not what has become so from a former State of goodness. Dr. Clarke renders "unfit for use." The idea is probably to show the distinction between the wild natural growth and the culti-

11. Evil. Bad, injurious, hurtful, productive of disease or death, uncultivated. 12. Lord, Lord. The idea is not that those who speak to Christ in these particular words are odious. The words refer to the spirit in which Christ is addressed. The thought is that the mere saying amounts to nothing-that words-any words-are useless unless actions correspond. Mere profession is of no account. Lord, Lord, may mean teacher, teacher. The Jews so styled their Rabbis. The original idea of the word Lord is Ruler. It comes from the Greek Kuros, authority, Surely, if they styled Christ Lord, Ruler, consistency would demand

that they should do His will-obey Him. PARABLE OF THE ROCK AND THE SAND.

Data. St. Matt., 7:24-27; St. Luke, 6:47-49. When. A. D. 27, May (?).

Place. Mount of Beatitudes. Definitions.

1. Sayings. The Sermon on the Mount. It seems that the teachings, precepts, doctrines of this discourse are a summary of Christianity. A man is a wise man, a Christian, who conforms to them. They exhibit, however, a kind of external Christianity. Nothing is said of creed. Here is a system of duties. But we see their performance demands an inner principle-a right faith—a correct belief—a sincere motive Here we have an outline of practice. For the principle, which should prompt their execution, see the further instructions of Christ-the history of the human race as shown in the Old Testament-the grand philosophy of Christianity as set forth in St. Paul's epistles. No doubt can be entertained as to the acceptableness to God of one who conforms from principle to the instructions of Christ as set forth in this sermon. The pronoun "these," in "these sayings of mine," seems to limit the sayings to the principles of this one discourse. "These sayings" do not seem to be Christ's sayings in general, embracing Christ's teachings throughout his own ministry, but these sayings (of mine in this discourse) are the ones to which reference is made. All of Christ's teachings were, however, right along the line of this sermon.

Character Building. There is call for a good foundation—the best of materials-correct architecture-suitable en

vironment, etc. Only a few days before his death John Wesley said: "How necessary it is for everyone to be on the right foundation!" And on when he is free from fault-he may assume to the next day: "There is no way into the holiest but by the blood of Jesus. He is the founon the platform as a temperance lecturer, a dation, the only foundation, and there is no

Not only must each Christian construct his character and hopes on Christ, but the Church in mass must lay basis on this Rock. As said

Dr. Watts: "Behold the sure foundation-stone Which God in Zion lays, To build our heavenly hopes upon,

And his eternal praise. "The foolish builders, scribe and priest, Reject it with disdain; Yet on this Rock the Church shall rest, And envy rage in vain.

"What though the gates of hell withstood? Yet must this building rise; 'Tis thine own work, Almighty God,

And wondrous in our eyes.' "Brown's Bronchial Troches" are unrivalled for relieving Coughs, Colds, Hoarseness, and all Throat Troubles. Sold only in boxes.

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E. E. W., Soldiers' Home, Pa .- Please state whether in August, 1861, the pay of the army was at the rate of \$11 a month, or at the \$13 rate? Answer. Prior to Aug. 5, 1861, the pay of the infantry arm of the service was at the rate of \$11 per month; thereafter \$13 to May 1, 1864, and then \$16; the pay for the other arms of the service was not less than \$13 a month at any time during the war.

U. M., Middleton, - .- . - I am now drawing pension of \$10 a month under the act of June 27, 1890, for double hernia and general disability; am I entitled to an increase under said act? Answer. To get the \$12 rate under said act it is necessary, under present rulings, that you should be wholly unable to perform any manual labor.

T. D. C., Springfield, Mass .- Soldier was married in 1875 and lived with his wife some eighteen months, and one child was born to them. A divorce was then secured, and in 1894 the soldier married again, and died, leaving one Lippincott and Phillips, will, we hope, prove to be wife entitled, and is the child by last marriage its disagreeable features, and to the practice into entitled to pension? Answer. The child by the first marriage has no title, nor has the first wife, since she is not the widow of the soldier. The child by the last marriage has title only in the being absolutely no excuse for its existence, except event of the death of its mother, and then only by proving soldier's death a direct result of a cause originating in line of duty in the service. S. T. M., North Salem, N. H .- Please inform me as to what has become of the Judge Long case? Answer. It is awaiting its turn before the Supreme Court of the United States, it never

having been considered by that tribunal. F. W. B., Campbell, N. Y .- I was granted a pension for a disability originating while on veteran furlough, and received my certificate in October, 1890. By a ruling of the Secretary of the Interior of July 26, 1895, my name was stricken from the rolls, and I wish to know whether the names of all those who have been so pensioned have thus been cut off. Answer. We do not know, but we presume that they have, as it is a ruling of the present Secretary that the language of Section 4700, R. S. U. S., relating to a soldier "upon veteran furlough with the organization to which they belong." A certain newspaper, making an attempt at | teller of the future. In the Scriptures the | is held to mean such soldiers while with their veteran furlough, and not when separated and

> in the Confederate forces, and afterwards enlists in the United States service, and is pensioned under the act of June 27, 1890, can he be prosecuted for it? Answer. Under the administration of Gen. Raum it was held that a | He first served as powder boy on the frigate soldier would, under such circumstances, assuming an honorable discharge from a United States service of 90 days or more and a pensionable degree of disability, be entitled to pension, and while it is the rule of the present administration to drop such pensioners from | the burden of 93 years, he says that if Uncle the rolls, no ground exists for any criminal prosecution against the pensioner unless he was guilty of introducing false testimony into his claim, or unless he had made perjured statements concerning his claim or service.

J. W. S., Oden, Ark .- If a soldier has served

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ANSWERS TO NO. 219.-DEC. 5, 1895.

2115-Friendship, 2118-Free-thin-king. 2117-MID PAP TALES MISES TARENTE MONISTS PARENTELR MINISTRAL CALENDARIAL PENTAGLOT DESTRUIES STERLET ELIOT SATES EAT LUS 2120 -ASHER SLEET ATTIRES STEELED ALECTORIA OSTEOMATA OPHIOLOGIST FLEETENFACE SERMONERS FELONWORT REAGENT TERPOWY STIRT DIARY ACT 2121-Hearts; Earth's. 2122- L THEES SNIPS TROMPES STAMPER CHOCOLATE ANAEMARIA LAEMODIPODA GLIMMERGOWE SEAPADS SERGIUS STOTS RIOLS EDE AWE 2124-The true story of Nicholas Nickleby. 2125-DARTERS 2126-MACADAM AREOLET REPLETE CALAMAC TOLLMEN ANABARA ELEMENT DAMAGED

Authors of word-forms: Kenneth, G. Whizz, X. . C. R. (2), Dan D. Lyon, Rex Ford, H. O. Mer,

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NEW PUZZLES,-NO. 227. NO. 2210-ANAGRAM. Am won.

AMARELA

-PRIMEOSE, Baltimore, Md.

NOS. 2211-12-SQUARES. The Indian cane. 2. Arrasene. (Cent.) 3. P. O., Douglas Co., Mo. 4. A native of Asia. 5. The offspring of an Indian or a negro and a European. 6. To deprive of sinews or of strength. 7. Mana-

1. One who uses a gad or goad in driving. 2 Manifestations as objects of worship or admiration. 3. French chronicler; 1695. 4. Suiting a stew. 5. A series of monocotyledenous marine plants. (Cent.) 6. A village, district, and promontory of Scotland. 7. A West African anthropoid ape. -Phil Down, Brooklyn, N. Y.

NO. 2213-NUMERICAL. Five, 2, 1, 7, 8, 9 will be A water-jar with handles three. Four, 3, 6, 7, 9 will make The soundest sleeper keep awake, And give the poor distracted soul "The fidgets," which are named by WHOLE,

-Maude, St. Joseph, Mo.

-Eugene. Cleveland, O.

NOS. 2214-15-ALPHABETICAL DIAMONDS. (J) 1, A letter. 2, An exclamation expressive f contempt or disgust. 3. Fore flaps of bootees. 4. A male name. 5, Fit to be planted, 6, Folding stools. 7. Sacrifices of a hundred oxen or cattle at the same time. 8. Genera of American eyprinoid fishes. (Cent.) 9, Marshes. (Cent.) 10. Cloth measures, (Cent.) 11. A letter,

(K) 1. A letter. 2. The heart of a flower, Stand.) 3. An impure variety of diamond. (Stand.) 4. A prison or court of justice. 5. A solid having many summits or angular points. 6. A bay on the west coast of the Island of Hawaii, in which Capt. Cook was killed. 7. Hydrous borates of lime from Oregon. 8. Hare kangaroos. 9. Donkeys, 10. A. village of Italy. II. A letter.

NO. 2216-CHARADE. For months the FINAL had withstood The fierce assaults of thousand foes, Resist more bravely no one could Until the demon Hunger rose.

And when it dawned on every mind Of rations there was great COMPLETE, Men on whose faces ONES were lined Like children cried, for food to eat. Ay, cried! then fought with fierce despair

To gain a crumb of precious bread,

And when the armed host entered there The streets were piled with smitten dead. 'T was not a brilliant victory gained, Twas not the foemen's valiant might; The battle waged while life remained And Famine really won the fight.

-COMRADE, Baltimore, Md. NOS. 2217-18-DIAMONDS. 1: A letter. 2. The parson-bird. (Stand.) 3. To traffic in an itinerary manner. 4. Two small pointed rods of metal, formerly used in the treatment called Perkinism. 5. A towering path. 6.

A mountebank.* 7. Enraptured. 8. A wrecking car. (Stand.) 9. One who raves. 10. Dead. (Stand.) -A. DANDY, Brooklyn, N. Y. Il. A letter. I. A letter. 2. To weep convulsively. (Stand.) 3. To benefit. 4. Arrests.* (Encyc. Dict.) 5. To exaggerate. 6. Women living apart from their susbands. 7. A diminutive of pity, used as an exclamation in Act IV, scene 2, of Cymbeline.*
(Encyc. Dict.) 8. Foremost. 9. An instrument with which cels are commonly taken. 10, Yews.*

-ARCANUS, Iowa City, Iowa. NO. 2219-TRANSPOSITION. Sea novels tell of many kinds Of men who are sailors reckoned, And aye the reader of them finds The PRIMAL called a SECOND. -SWAMP ANGEL, Rock Falls, Ill.

NO. 2220-21-DIAMONDS. 1. A letter. 2. A prefix, meaning "upon." To leap. 4. To be wasteful. 5. A people of Italy. (Lemp.) 6. The common yellow water lily. 7. To come between. 8. Those who geld. 9. A town of France. 10. To freeze. 11. A letter.
-X. L. C. R., Lyons, N. Y.

1. A letter. 2. A common name for white poplar wood. (Cent.) 3. Sloes. (Stand.) 4. Scales of an antenna of a crustacean, 5. Pupilage. (Stand.) 6. Musk-melons. (Stand.) 7. A half-smile. (Cent.) mail. S. A large serranoid food-fish, 9. A small column or pillar. 10. To add to, 11. A letter. -REX FORD, Alplaus, N. Y.

CHAT WITH CONTRIBUTORS. The conclusion of our friend Beech Nut, as expressed in his recent editorial utterances, to require authors of word-forms to prepare their puzzles precisely as they are to appear in print, giving definitions in exact conformity with the International, child by the last marriage. The first son is in- the initiative step toward a needed reform. Editing which some formists have fallen—that of giving definitions inaccurately—may be traced a goodly portion of the scribe's woes. It is a practice, furthermore, which is as senseless as it is bad, there it be sheer laziness; and if contributors will not voluntarily respect the wish of editors in the mat-ter, it is time for the latter to take a stand sufficiently firm to bring the recalcitrant ones to their senses. It is with pleasure, therefore, that we take our stand with Beech Nut and demand that formists accord us the courtesy of preparing definitions correctly, as they are given in the International, Lippincott and Phillips, and we shall hereafter disclaim the responsibility for the publication of word-forms which are wrongly defined. We consider this but justice to ourselves and "Mystery's" corps of solvers, and hope the day will not be far distant when every puzzle editor will have placed himself on record as indisputably in favor of accuracy in the preparation of form-puzzles by their omposers .- C. Saw, usually at home with the anagram, renders No. 2124 "Skill of boy teachers in the country." Perhaps the young man's trip to Baltimore temporarily befogged his solving powers. We understand part of the journey was made in company with A. Fishel, and he was doubtless loaded down with alleged cigars .-- M. T. Head, of McDonald, Wash., sends answers for the first time. We extend the hand of welcome .-One happy result of the late Convention was the waking up of Lord Baltimore. He will be heard from next week.

R. O. CHESTER. Veteran of Three Wars.

Noticeable among the guests at the banquet following the installation of officers of Steedman Post, Department of Georgia, Tallapoosa, or more in the army of Uncle Sam. was an aged veteran known as Maj. Garland, who was introduced as a veteran of three wars. Constitution at the time of the capture of the British warship Guerrier in the war of 1812. He also served under Gen. Scott in the Mexican war, and in the Army of the Potomac during

the war of the rebellion. Although bearing

Some Practical Suggestions for Agricultural Readers.

Shorthorn Cattle.

However estimates of the shorthorn as a dairy breed may differ, all stockmen unite in classing it among the best beef breeds. That the shorthern worthily holds this place at the head of the list was proved in the late New York stock show, where the honors were carried off by a shorthorn heifer, who won the grand sweepstakes for best steer or heifar, any age, breed or grade.

Abroad the verdict of the Fat Stock Show at Birmingham was confirmed at Smithfield. where, at the very best show ever held, a shorthorn heifer, Frederica, was again the victor, sweeping all before her and securing the cup for the best of her breed, the cup for the best female, the championship for the best animal in the show, and the Queen's cup for the best animal bred by the exhibitor. The total prizes won by the heifer at the show amounted to \$4,000. The victory was a popular one because the heifer was the property of the Queen. Like the American, the English champion belonged to the Cruickshank strain of shorthorn. Frederica was sired by Volunteer, which was by the great Sittyton buil Goudomar, whose dam was by Cumberland. Tidy Girl, the American champion, was sired by Gay Monarch. The victory of Tidy Girl was a surprise to many, for heifers are not generally highly esteemed here as butchers' cattle, though they rank above steers abroad. These two independent successes are likely to beem the breed and cause increased demand for shorttorn cattle.

Wheat under Irrigation.

Three years' experience in wheat growing have convinced the Wvoming Station of the great advantages of raising wheat under irrigation. By this method a certain crop, larger yields and heavier and better grain are secured and the fertility of the soil is maintained. The cost of raising wheat is put at from \$7.30 to \$13.36 per acre. Estimated cost upon 40 acres or more by the use of improved machinery, \$7.75 per acre. Profit varies from \$1.73 to \$16.70 per acre. Average profit is \$10.16 per acre, which is a 10 per cent, income upon a land valuation of over \$100 per acre, or over 40 per cent, upon a land valuation of \$25 per acre.

Cost of Milk Production. Prof. Wing, of Cornell, in his summary on Bulletin 52, on "The Cost of Milk Production," says: "Our records of this herd for the past year seem to warrant the following conclusions: "With a fairly good herd, carefully fed

per hundredweight, and fat for 16 cents per pound for the cost of food consumed. "That individuals of the same breed differ more widely in milk and butter production than do the breeds themselves, "The larger animals consumed less pounds-

and kept, milk can be produced for 65 cents

of dry matter per 1,000 pounds live weight per day than did the smaller animals. "That in general the best yields of fat were obtained from cows that gave at least a

fairly large flow of milk. "In general the cow consuming the most food produced both milk and fat at the lowest rate."

Clubroot in Cabbage, For elubroot, or foot, as it is variously called, in cabbages, turnips, etc., no remedy or sure prevention has yet been discovered save strict rotation. Never plant cabbages or any other member of the same family twice on the same land except it be in old gardens or in calcareous soils. The New Jersey Experiment Station says that in its experiments air-slacked stone lime gave sufficient evidence of its usefulness as a preventive of clubroot of turnips to warrant it being recommended for that purpose. But no less than 75 bushels should be applied per acre, and no less than three months previous to the time of planting. The soil on which

small quantity of lime would answer for some soils.

these experiments were made was probably a

light, sandy loam. Undoubtedly, even a

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To Monument Builders. EDITOR NATIONAL TRIBUNE: At a meet ing of our Post the question of erecting a suitable monument in memory of our dead comrades of this Post, and to be used for a similar purpose by the living members when they too shall have answered "here" for the last time, was discussed, and your humble servant directed to open up a correspondence sane. Is he entitled to a pension? Is the first a puzzle department is a duty not wholly without | with dealers, with a view to ascertaining cost of same, modeled after the monuments marking location of Illinois troops at Chickamauga. Thinking that you might see fit to publish this note, and that it might perchance catch the eye of some comrade engaged in that line, I came to the conclusion to address myself to you first. The trustees of our cemetery have offered us a good location for the proposed monument free of all cost. Our Post is but small so far as numbers go, but the boys have yet a few grains of that great essential-"sand"-left in their rheumatic bones, and are determined to "hold the fort" till the last heart-beat shall sound "lights out." A number of them who are old vets and saw three, and some of them four years' service, never yet got a cent in the way of a pension, yet they keep in line just the same as of old, and will break ranks only at the last "roll-call," when they shall be called to cross the last river into, let us hope, "God's country." Should some comrade see this who is able to offer a few pointers, we shall be thankful for them.

We stand by you on the Pension question. Keep your guns hot, and never cease firing until the last opponent to a pension for every honorably-discharged Union soldier has been knocked into silence. Stick to your text; \$8 a month for every one that served 90 days

Yours in F., C. and L. -SAMT. MCMAHON. Adi't, G. H. Neeld Post, 576, Department of Illinois, G.A.R., Cissna Park, Ill.

Twisted.

[Indianapolis Journal.] "May I inquire," asked the eagle, "why you are carrying that corkscrew? 17 "It hisn't a corkscrew," growled the British

Sam has a "scrap" with Eugland, he would lion. "Hit's me bloomin' tail." like to take a hand in it. Children Cry for Pitcher's Castoria.